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TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Be it known that WE, Armin Amrhein, Johannes Birzer, Thomas Hennefelder, Martin Kiesel, Raimund Kram and Regina Schmitt, citizens of Germany, residing in Kuemmersbruck, Stulln, Sugenheim, Poxdorf, Erlangen and Erlangen respectively, whose post office addresses are Dresdnerstr. 16, 92245 Kuemmerstruck, Germany; Friedhofweg 2, 92551 Stulln, Germany; Deutenheim 35, 91484 Sugenheim, Germany; Jahnstr. 36, 91099 Poxdorf, Germany; Fliederstr. 7A, 91056 Erlangen, Germany; and Herbstaeckerweg 5, 91056 Erlangen, Germany; respectively, have invented an improvement in:

INDUSTRIAL CONTROLLER AND METHOD OF OPERATING SAME of which the following is a

SUBSTITUTE SPECIFICATION

FIELD OF THE INVENTION

[0001] The invention relates to a method of operating an industrial controller, in particular for production machines. The invention also relates to an industrial controller for carrying out the method according to the invention.

[0002] This application is related to U.S. Patent Application Ser. No. 09/938,751, filed August 24, 2001 by the present inventors.

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